IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/560,497 Confirmation No. 4578

Applicants: : Lars Terje Holmaas et al. Filed : December 12, 2005

TC/A.U. Examiner : 1621 : Sudhakar Katakam

Docket No. : PN0324 Customer No. : 36335

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 26, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Applicants hereby Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response for two (2) months from July 26, 2007 through September 26, 2007. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$450.00 to Deposit Account No. 502-665. Applicants further request that the herein Response serve as a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR §1.17 (e). The Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$790.00 to Deposit Account No. 502-665.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.16(j) or 37 CFR 1.136(a) which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 502-665 in the name of GE Healthcare, Inc.

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